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MICHAEL E. LEWIS Commissioner

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## PROVIDER NOTICE 00-16

**TO:** Nursing Facilities

**SUBJECT:** Third Party Guarantee

As a reminder to Alabama Nursing Facilities, the Code of Federal Regulations (42 CFR 483.12), ADMISSION, TRANSFER AND DISCHARGE RIGHTS, states that, "The facility must not require a third party guarantee of payment to the facility as a condition of admission or expedited admission, or continued stay in the facility. However, the facility may require an individual who has legal access to a resident's income or resources available to pay for facility care to sign a contract, without incurring personal financial liability, to provide facility payment from the resident's income or resources."

If you have questions concerning these requirements, you may contact Long Term Care Provider/Recipient Management, Alabama Medicaid Agency at (334) 242-5657.

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